IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/521,326

Applicant : Richard Chene et al.

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Title : CLAMPING COLLAR

Art Unit : 3677

Examiner : James R. Brittain Atty Docket No. : 22193-00011-US1

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2007 Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

An extension of time for three months is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 22-0185, Order No. 22193-00011-US1.

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